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## FW: Research Project on Internationalisation of Armed Conflicts

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Dear Mr Macak,

Thank you for your interest in Russia's position towards legal classification of armed conflicts. Having served for a number of years at the Legal Department of the Russian MFA, I can inform you that there hardly is a person who could have the authority to convey to you an "official" position of the country on that issue. Actually, such a position has never been formalized.

However, the questions that you are asking are similar to those that arose in the practical circumstances of the conflict around South Ossetia in 2008. The Russian legal position on various aspects of that conflict may be found in the appendices to the report of the "International Independent Fact-Finding Mission" set up by the EU, at [http://www.ceiig.ch/pdf/IIFFMCG\\_Volume\\_III.pdf](http://www.ceiig.ch/pdf/IIFFMCG_Volume_III.pdf). I hope this will be of help.

Best regards,

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